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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S SPEECH

THE REGIONAL GOVERNOR ASSUMANI ASKED THE CONSULS TO A MEETING IN WHICH HE TOLD THEM THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF ZAIRE WOULD TREAT VERY HARSHLY ANY ATTEMPT BY THE FOREIGN BUSINESSMEN TO SABOTAGE THE PRESIDENT'S NEW ECONOMIC POLICY BY HOARDING STOCKS OR BY CLOSING THEIR BUSINESSES. THE GREEK CONSUL NOTED THAT THE PAKISTANIS WERE NOT REPRESENTED AT THE MEETING, HOWEVER HE COULD ASSURE THE REGIONAL GOVERNOR THAT THE GREEKS WOULD COOPERATE. HOWEVER, HE ASKED THAT THEIR ACCOUNTS NOW BLOCKED BE OPENED SO THAT THEY CAN PAY THEIR BILLS AND RECEIVE PAYMENTS FROM THOSE WHO OWE THEM MONEY. THE GOVERNOR AGREED SAYING THAT FOREIGN BUSINESSMEN'S ACCOUNTS WERE TO BE CONTROLLED AND NOT BLOCKED. THE GREEK CONSUL ASKED ABOUT TURNING OVER PLANTATIONS TO ZAIROIS. THE GOVERNOR SAID THAT TURN-OVERS SHOULD BEGIN WITHIN SIX MONTHS BUT THERE WAS NO TIME LIMIT ON HOW LONG IT SHOULD TAKE. THE GOVERNOR NOTED THAT THE

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PAKISTANIS (DEFINED BY RACE, NOT NATIONALITY) MUST BE OUT OF

HAUT ZAIRE BY MARCH 1974. THE GOVERNOR ALSO NOTED THAT REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING INVENTORIES WOULD BE DELAYED FOR ONE MONTH AND WOULD INCLUDE A REQUIREMENT FOR REPORTING OUTSTANDING CREDITS AND DEBITS.

(BEGIN LU): COMMENT: THE GREEK CONSUL NOTED THAT TWO GREEKS WHOSE PASSPORTS WERE NOT IN ORDER WERE ASKED FOR ZAIRE 1500 BRIBE. THE GREEK CONSUL BROUGHT THIS MATTER TO THE CND AND WAS ASSURED THAT IT WOULD NOT HAPPEN AGAIN. HOWEVER, THE PAKISTANIS SAY THAT THEY MUST PAY ZAIRE 1000 TO MAINTAIN THEIR STATUS HERE AND THEREBY BE IN A POSITION TO PREVENT ALL THEIR GOODS FROM BEING CONFISCATED. ALL PAKISTANIS CONTINUE TO BE APPREHENSIVE AND MANY REPORT SMALL HARASSMENT BY ZAIROIS WHO DO NOT WANT TO WAIT THE 90 DAYS. (END LOU).
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